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Inventor(s): David M. KURN et al.

Confirmation No.: 4932

Application No.: 09/734,962

Examiner: T. M. Norris

Filing Date: 12/11/2000

Group Art Unit: 2137

Title: SCALABLE COMPUTER SYSTEM USING PASSWORD-BASED PRIVATE KEY  
ENCRYPTION

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	Based Private Key	§		
	Encryption	§		

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In response to the Office action of June 28, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.